

RESOLUTION 2019 - 10 **LPEA POWER SUPPLY STRATEGY**

WHEREAS, La Plata Electric Association's Mission Statement is to provide its members safe, reliable electricity at the lowest reasonable cost while being environmentally responsible; and,

WHEREAS, LPEA's Vision Statement is: Shaping the future by building trustworthy community partnerships as an innovative, forward-thinking industry leader, delivering excellence in our member-owned cooperative; and

WHEREAS, LPEA has set a Strategic Goal to strive to reduce its carbon footprint by 50% from 2018 levels by year 2030 while keeping members' cost of electricity lower than 70% of its Colorado cooperative peers; and,

WHEREAS, Tri-State Generation and Transmission has formed a Contract Committee that LPEA is participating in and that may provide LPEA with new contract options to reach its goals; and,

WHEREAS, the consultants engaged by LPEA's Power Supply Committee reported that LPEA could purchase electrical energy on the Wholesale Marketplace for substantially less than current Tri-State wholesale energy rates with no change in reliability; and,

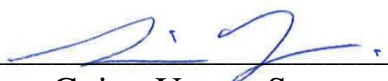
WHEREAS, the replies to the Request for Indicative Pricing LPEA received indicate LPEA could obtain both less carbon intensive and lower cost power than Tri-State supplies; and

WHEREAS, for LPEA to meet its Strategic Goal and its mandate from members for more local energy projects to encourage a cleaner supply of energy and to stimulate local economic development, LPEA must be allowed to independently contract for local energy projects;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of La Plata Electric Association, Inc. that LPEA does hereby establish the following three areas of focus to meet its Strategic Goal, Vision, and Mission Statement that it will pursue simultaneously and aggressively:

1. Continue participating with Tri-State's staff, board, and Contract Committee to create new contract options that may allow LPEA to meet the above stated goals while remaining a Tri-State member.
2. Continue evaluation of all details related to possibly exiting from the current Wholesale Electric Services Contract with Tri-State. Take all steps necessary to maintain LPEA's options so that any exit negotiations take place in Colorado.
3. Continue efforts to increase carbon-free local energy generation within our existing Wholesale Electric Services Contract.

I, Guinn Unger, Secretary of La Plata Electric Association, Inc., do hereby certify that the above is true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of La Plata Electric Association, Inc., at a regular meeting held in Durango, Colorado, on August 21, 2019, at which meeting a quorum of directors was present and voting.



Guinn Unger, Secretary

Dated at Durango, Colorado this 21st day of August 2019.